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Settlement of the Kansas Question. Our readers will perceive by reference to the proceedings of Congress, yesterday, that the report of the Committee of Conference on the Kansas bill, was adopted by the Senate and House of Representatives. We congratulate the country upon the settlement of this question, which has so long disturbed the peace and barmony of the Union. The tele graph announces the acceptance of the report by majorities of nine in each house.

The London correspondent of the New York Commercial says it is now becoming a recognized conviction on all sides, that a war is to be forced upon England by France .-The writer says, "the extent to which this conclusion has gained ground, was extraordinarily illustrated three nights since in a discussion in the House of Commons on the navy estimates. The House was unanimous on the necessity for vigorously sustaining our defenses, and however guarded each speaker | the enormous amounts for silks, champagne might endeavor to be, it was rendered ap- and other articles of luxury. It would be a parent that one thought was predominant in every mind, namely, that the gigantic preparations across the channel are beyond all precedent, and can have but a single object. Of course the members of the Cabinet endeavored as far as possible to disguise their belief that the Emperor has any ill designs, by suggesting that however much we might place reliance on his good faith, we had no guarantee that his rule would be permanent, and that this was the reason why we should be on our guard; they all admitted that the signs of danger from France were too palpable to be disowned or neglected."

"Ion," the Washington corespondent of the Baltimore Sun, says: - "It will be impossible for Congress to terminate the session on the 7th of June, with any regard to the publie interests. Not a dozen public acts have yet been passed, and only eleven private acts. On the Senate calendar, there are a bundred bills, &c., and more are to be reported. Oa the House calendar, besides a great number of public bills, there are over two hundred and fifty private bille; and the committees, standing and select, will add greatly to the number when they shall have an opportunity

If the members will only devote from now till the fourth of June to work instead of useless and unprofitable debate, there will be sufficient time to accomplish all necessary legislation. While it is very desirable that all the business should be transacted, yet it is much more desirable for the peace and happiness of the country, that Congress should adjourn as speedily as possible.

fie coast "a great gold fever had broken out in Washington Territory and Vancouver's York, and is the second bishop which that Island." A letter written from the infected district, to a California paper, says:-We have had great times since last I wrote you. We are crazy with the gold fever. Everybody that can get away is off to Frazer's river after gold. Mills and mines, ships and shops, roads and ranches, all contribute to the number of the sturdy miners .-Stories of fabulous wealth are afloat, and there is no doubt but what there are very rich diggings indeed. They lie on Thomy son's river, which is a tributary of Frazer's river, lying in English territory, above the 50th parallel. Gold has been found by the Boundary Commission all along the line run by them, and there seems to be but little doubt that very soon we shall be producing large quantities of gold, adding another to the already numerous attractions of the Sound for settlers.

The sessions of the Scientific Association in Baltimore, were quite largely attended on Thursday, not only by the members, of whom an increased number have arrived in the city. but also by the citizens. The paper which attracted most attention, on account of its practical application to a subbject in which considerable interest is manifest, and also from the evident case and research with which it had been prepared, was on "The Grape Culture by Professor Swallow, State in Missouri.' Geologist of Missouri. Its reading drew from Professor Jackson, from Bishop Lynch, and from other gentlemen, some very interesting remarks upon the subject. In the evening the members of the Association enjoyed the sumptuous and elegant hospitality of the Maryland Historical Society, at its rooms in the Athermum. A large and brilliant company of ladies and gentlemen were present.

Advices from London state that it is generally acknowledged that Turkey alone will have the right to pronounce against the occupation of Perim by the English, and thus the question is disposed of, since the word of England, notwithstanding all that the rest of Europe may say or do, remains the law at Constantinople. It was hoped that this question would come before the Congress of Paris, which is to convene toward the end of May, but England is not likely to have taken possession of "the rock of Perim," as the London Times calls it, without first sounding, or at least knowing how they were going to settle the question with Turkey.

The delay in making the New York Custom House appointments is beginning to be a subject of general comment. The reason is steted by the News to be the persistent and factious opposition of certain of the Democratic Congressmen, who are constantly threatening to leave the Administration unless they can have their own way. It is stated that some hundreds of appointments are understood to be lying in the Treasury Department at Washington; and it is added "there they bang. safe and sound, on some book or shelf in the Treasury buildings, and they will hang, thanks to our members of Congress, till the 7th of June be passed and gone."

Senor Doctor Mariano de Briseno, who, for a short time, has resided in Washington in the character of envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary of Venezuela, has taken leave of the President for the purpose of returning home.

The Quarantine and Sanitary Convention met in Baltimore, on Thursday. The following officers were elected:

Hon, F. F. Ferguson, of Norfolk.

Chomel from an internal cancer.

the shipment of specie for five years, or for-

ever. We buy two much abroad and sell too

The Cumberland Telegraph says :- "Cum-

berland coal is represented as being in bet-

ter demand than it has been since the com-

mencement of the season, for eastern and

coastwise shipment. We trust that the de-

mand may not be temporary. The compa-

nies are now prepared to fill orders of any

amount, and it is hoped that an opportunity

may be afforded, then, to tax to its fullest

extent the productive capacity of the collie-

Madame Orsini has left Paris to return to

the Italian village where she has long been

established as schoolmistress. Friends of

Italian liberty helped to administer all the

comfort that lay in their power by subscrib-

ing handsomely to the widow and fatherless,

and a sum of 2,500 france was placed in

Madame Orsini's hands at the moment of

departure, to which the principal subscri-

The trial of Dr. Bernard, the French refu-

gee, for complicity in the Orsini plot, has

been proceeding at the Central Criminal

Court, London. Upon the verdict, probably,

will depend the immediate tone of the new French Ambassador, the Duke of Malakoff,

land Coal and Iron Company's Railroad, had

his head badly cut and was otherwise injured.

A steam fire engine has been completed at

Lawrence, Mass., which throws a stream an

inch and a half in diameter over a roof of

100 feet high, and throws the same stream

198 feet horizontally. Two streams of one

inch were thrown over the same building and

to a distance from the machine horizontally.

The New York papers give an account of

about a hundred policy shops, located in va-

rious parts of the city. They succeeded in

making sixty arrests, all of whom were

brought before the Mayor, and held to bail

"A Southern Democrat" in the Richmond

It is now said that the Secretary of the

Treasury is encouraged to believe that the

receipts from costoms will be so much in-

cressed during the coming fiscal year that

The junior class of Columbian College, will

give an exhibition at the Smithsonian Insti-

month. The college is in a flourishing condi-

ion, and contains many young men of talent

It is supposed that General Santa Anna is

ship Clyde, and was at St. Thomas on the 18th,

The Senate, on Thursday, refused to re-

bill, and a committee of conference has been

The democrate of Darke county, Ohio,

have recommended Wm. Allen, esq., as their

candidate for Congress, to represent the

The General Conference of the Methodist

Episcopal Church, South, assembles at Nash-

each in the sum of \$1,000.

'legislative honesty."

and ability.

with his family.

bers are English.

City Council of this city.

ville, Tenn., to-day, let of May. The "Loudoun Items" in yesterday's Gazette, should have been credited Leesburg Mirror.

Fourth district of that State.

The steamer Kangaroo has arrived at New York. Having left Liverpool on the 14th. Her advices are anticipated by the Arabia.

ident for the purpose the claims of Hon. William L. Yanapy, of relaxed the muscles, the bone slipped back daughter of the great Cornellie, has died at that state, for shy Presidency in 1860.

"To show the very age and body of the TIMES." The steamer Empire City, with Havana President, Dr. Wm. M. Kemp, of Baltidates to the 23d ult., has arrived at New York. Two more cargoes of slaves have been landed Vice Presidents-Dr. John M. Moriarty, of Boston, Geo. N. Eston, esq., of Baltimore; Dr. P. C. Gallard, of Charleston, S. C. on the northern coast of Ouls. There was considerable excitement at Havana in conse-Secretaries-Chas. H. Haswell, e-q., of New York; Dr. D. J. McKew, of Baltimore; quence of the forcible examination of the chooner Cortes by a British cruiser. It is contended that the Cortes was bound on a There was a numerous attendance of delelegal voyage to the coast of Africa.

gates, among whom we notice Drs. D. M. French and W. B. Gregory, representing the Advices from Kingston, Jamaica, to the The Mexican Minister in Spain, M. Lathe mercantile community. Fish stuffs and fragua, baving received from Gen. Zuloaga very few and at low prices. Money matters ar order to resign his functions, has refused were very stringent. Produce was in very to obey the order, and announces through small supply. Coffee was in demand, and the press that, Gen. Zuloaga not having been taken at advanced prices.

duly elected to the Presidency, he will con-A correspondent of the London News, tinge to fulfil the duties of the office. The writing from Turin on the 17th ultimo, says: Spapish Government differ with M. Lafra-"To conclude my reports from Genoa, I may gua, as to the legality of the position of Gen. Zuloags, profess to believe in the final suctell you that the day before yesterday a vescess of his course, and thus have refused fursel quitted that port which conveys an Itather intercourse with the Minister who delian colony to America. They will disemthey will found a town, by the name of Two of the distinguished men of the med-'Luisa degli Italiani." Their leader is Col. cal world of Paris, recently died-M. Chomel, Luigi Masi, a Roman, who has been secretaand the Baron Boyer. M. Chomel was the ry to the Prince of Canino."

physician of Louis Phillipe, and since his The Chicago papers question the validity death, of the Orleans family. It was he that of the new Minnesota loan just voted upon refused the oath to the Empire, and was by the people. The Chicago Tribune prothus excluded from the Faculty of Medicine duces a table of the debt and population of of Paris, of which he was one of the brightthe different States. The proportion of debt est ornaments. Baron Boyer died suddenly to one person is 8.52 per cent in New York, from an invagination of the intestines, M. and 8.56 per cent in Pennsylvania; while Minnesota, under the new loan, gives a proportion of 28 86 per cent. Such an amount It will be a happy state of things when we of money, no doubt, if properly applied to see no specie sent out of the country to Europe the development of a State's resources, would rapidly reduce this per centage; but for a year, for it is always sent to pay the the step is looked upon as premature in a lebalance owing by our country to them; to pay gal point of view, as at the time the loan bill passed the Legislature, Minnesota was not a happier state of things if we could prevent

The Circuit Court of Wisconsin, March term, for the county of Rock, has held the Corporation and people (who, by formal popular vote, sanctioned the issue) of the city of Janesville, to full liability on their bonds, issued in 1851 to the now bankrupt Rock River Valley Railroad. The defendants made the point that the Legislature could not authorize a municipal Corporation to do what the constitution ferbid the State itself to do-that is, to incur a debt in aid of public improvements undertaken by individuals or associated capital. The second point made was, that the constitution empowers the Legislature to restrict the right of taxation by corporations, for purposes foreign to the object of their creation.

The largest verdict that we remember ever to have heard of, upon a quantum meruit contract, relatively to the service performed. was rendered in New York city, on Wedneeday last. The case was that of Emma Landon, a nurse, against Charles C. Marsh, administrator upon the estate of his brother, Benjamin F. Mareh. The nurse brought suit for services in taking care of the deceased during a sickness of fifty-one weeks preceding his death. There was no agreement for wages, and she claimed one hundred and twenty five dollars a week. The jury gave her the whole amount, rendering a verdict in her favor for \$6,375. Nursing bachelors worth seventy thousand dollars, is a good business in New York.

who has arrived in England with great The Missionary Herald for April, says the receipts of the American Board have fallen The Rev. Sullivan H. Weston was on the 14th ult., on the first ballot, and by the off to an alarming extent for several months nanimous vote of the Episcopal Convention, elected Bishop of Texas. Mr Weston is As
20,771. For the seven months of the finan
that uit., on the next bank, and by the understand that he has the schooner Astrea, in Hampton Roads trea-ury notes. We understand that he has no idea of a loan, when promises to pay will answer just as well. But as new issue that they had very heavy and rainy weather they had very sistant Minsister of Trinity Church in New cial year up to March 1, they amount to but \$133 250; while the proportion, for this time, corporation has furnished within the last six of the necessary expenses of the year, amounts to \$210,000 - showing a deficiency of almost \$77,000. To meet the expenses, the receipts On Friday morning last one of the Nationfor the remaining five months must be about a! Road mail stage line of coaches was turn-\$227,000-\$45,400 per month. It is appared over, at the western end of Cumberland. ent, therefore, that earnest fort must be made, or the year will close with a debt very There were several passengers aboard, all of embarrassing to future operations. whom were more or less injured. . Captain J. W. Wolvington, conductor on the Cumber-

Commodore Joshua Sands, United States Naval Commander of the steam-frigate Susquebanna, has obtained temporary leave of absence. The Commodore reached his home, at Stratford, Connecticut, on the 24th ult., where, during the evening, the young men, of the village turned out en masse, and pro ceeded to his residence and welcomed him home in the real fourth-of-July style, with cannon, salutes and cheers. The gallant Commodore responded by inviting all hands to his dwelling, where they partook of the good things, and had a general merry-making. The commodore is very popular at home.

the descent by the Mayor's police, upon Richard Ten Broeck, the owner of American horses in England, has gone to Europe again, intending to follow up the English turfmen until he conquers them. Charleston, a favorite South Carolina racer, has left for England in a steamer. He was accompanied by three trotters, which Mr. Ten Enquirer, denounces the report of the new will no doubt astonish the natives. Both Kansas bill as "a subterfuge unworthy of statesmen, a cheat disgraceful to Southern men, and the whole proceedings of the Con-ference Committee, as a blot and stain upon fine condition at the time, our sporting men was very great.

say one of them is sure to win the cup. A young woman pretty and well dressed committing suicide. Capt. Forsyth, late of abundant crop. the ship Diamond State, plunged in after her there will be no necessity for a call upon Congress for an additional issue of Treasury and succeeded with some assistance in rescuing her. The unfortunate girl is an American by birth, and said she regretted that cy appropriation bill, consists of Mesers. her purpose had been interfered with. She was taken to the Union street Station House and properly cared for. She represents her-

tution, in Washington, on the 7th of next self as homeless and friendless. The Abingdon Democrat says :- The engineers on the Virginia and Kentucky Railroad are now making experimental surveys on Smith's creek, near Weathers' mill, some now on his way to Vera Crus. He left Cartwelve miles from this place. They will al thagens on the 12th of March, on the steamso examine Wolf Run, Gobble's and Livingston's Creeks, with a view to ascertain the most practicable route previous to a final location. The grading in Scott county, between Moccasin Gap and Chineb river, is beceed from its amendments to the Deficiency

ing vigorously prosecuted. The question of publishing a paper, to be called the Baltimore Christian Advocate, as a conservative Methodist organ on the subject of slavery, was introduced last week, at Charleston, Va., to the Western Virginia Conference. Rev. Mr. Phelps, of the Baltimore Conference, pressed the importance of sustaining such an enterprise, but a resolumembers free te support any of their papers, without particularly endorsing any.

The French have great surgeons. A little girl in France dislocated her neck-one of the little bones in her spine got out of place. perfectly stiff, and there was a vacant space between her spine and the plank, but by degrees the weight of her chest and shoulders into its place, and she got well.

A South Carolina gentleman writes from Edgefield, that the wheat and other grain crops never looked better, or bid fairer for a large yield than they do at present. Should no disaster occur, new wheat may be ex- tional Line of Steamships. It is proposed pected from the South as early as the 28th to the 30th of May next, as it is now heading. The planting season is nearly over at the South; some corn has been worked over; a the United States mail, once in each week, beavy cotton crop has been planted. The last year's crop of cotton will reach 3,252,300

On the 22d ult., a colored boy named 10th ult., report the previous fortnight as Francis Mills, about 12 years of age, bound fraught with most uneatisfactory results to to Mr. Wm. H. Orendorff, who lives about a mile from Westminster, Md., was found murflour were in excess of demand, and sales dered in a most brutal manner. His throat was cut, his bowels cut out, and he was bruised, cut and mangled about the head in a most savage manner. Rebecca McCor- 22d mick, also colored, aged eighteen, was arrestel as the murderess.

The schr. Eliza Jane, from Rockland for Boston, with lime, went ashore on the 28th ult., on Nantasket beach, near Cohasset. Crew saved. The vessel is a total loss. Several other vessels were driven ashore. An unknown bark in Mexico, and on the river Tecolutia schooner is ashore on the reef, south side of the Vineyard, and the sea is making a complete breach over her. The crew are on board. The storm was very severe in the

The Episcopal church of the Annunciation, in New Orleans, was totally destroyed by fire on the 20th ult. The flames were first seen issuing from the cupola, and the brisk wind which prevailed made the destruction of the building a very short work. The fire was undoubtedly the work of an incendiary. The loss is entirely covered by insurance, the church and its contents being insured for \$12,000.

The surveying steamer Walker, B. F. Sands, has arrived at New Orleans, having completed the survey of Atchafalaya bay -The steamer will leave for Norfolk May 3d. Officers and crew all well. The steamer Philadelphia, from Havana, has also arrived baving on board President Quares and suite, comprising his ministry, destined for Vera Cruz.

In a letter from the Hague we are told that there is not a syllable of truth in the report that the Princess Alice of England will shortly be the betrothed of the Prince of Orange. It is even said that the Queen of the Netherlands was by no means pleased with the reception she met with from the Court of St. James, on her recent visit to Eng-

The Knoxville (Tenn.) Whig of the 19th ult., notices the arrival there of a car load of ice from Boston, through from Savannah, Ga., in thirty-three hours; and congratulates the citizens on being able to cool their parched tongues during the summer, upon a luxury which the mildness of the winter denied them at home.

The editor of the Richmond Dispatch bas been shown a specimen of gold ore, weighing 115 pennyweights, found on the land of Mr. John M. Norville, Albemarle county. Mr. Fisher has resumed the working of this land for gold, which had been abandoned some time go, and is sanguine of a good "crop."

The Richmond Dispatch says :- Jack Frost made his appearance last Tuesday night, and fears are entertained that he has not only schorced the tender plants and budding flowers, but that be has materially blighted, if not totally destroyed the entire fruit crop, which, a few days since, promised to be so

considerable quantity of salt, and no more was expected to be raked before June. It was presumed there was about 120,000 tons within the colony.

Although in the House of Representatives Mr. Jones of Tennessee, moved to lay the report of the committee of conference on the Kansas question on the table, as a test question, all the members did not so regard it, as some of the known enemies of the report voted in the negative.

The religious interest still continues in New Jersey. In Princeton College the revival has been quite general, and of 272 students 102 have become professors of religion, of whom fifty have dedicated themselves to the ministry, and two to the misssionary

San Francisco is supplied with ice from Sitka, in Russian America, as New Orleans is with the same article from Boston. The number of hands were employed preparing trade has been in progress some time, and grows in amount steadily. There is also a limited export of ice from the same place, for ports south of San Francisco.

A panic was created in the Mobile Theatre a few nights ago, while the Marsh children Brocck takes out for his own use, and which were performing to a densely packed audience, by a cry of fire, and one or two per-Charleston and Prioress are to contend for sons were slightly injured. Several ladies the Goodwood Cup, and if they are both in fainted, and for a short time the commution

The farmers of the Rappabannock valley have finished corn planting for this year .leaped from the dock at the foot of Lombard | The mildness of the winter was exceedingly street wharf, Philadelphia, about 9 o'clock favorable for the preparation of corn-land, on Monday evening, with the intention of and we have every reason to anticipate an

The conference committee on the disagreeing votes of the two Houses on the deficien-Toombs, Briggs and Fessenden on the part of the Senate, and Messrs. Letcher, Maclay and Nicholas on the part of the House.

The Kapsas bill, it is said, will certainly pass both houses, as stated before. Patriot- head. ism and statesmanlike considerations prevail in both sections of the Union.

Major T. O. P. Vernon, are candidates for Congress to succeed the Hon. James L. Orr. of South Carolina. All of them addressed the citizens of Spartanburg recently on the politics of the day.

The quarterly meeting of the National Agricultural Society, assembled in Washington, on Wednesday evening, General Tilghman, the president, in the chair. A propc- of some 500 to the floor below. sition is pending to hold the next exhibition A young man named Garnet, hailing from

Richmond, Va., who went to New York, on tion was adopted, nevertheless, leaving the a visit with a friend, was robbed of \$200 in were injured, but to what extent we did not gold and other valuables, by his travelling learn. The building is a round wooden one, companion, and has si ce disappeared. It is and has been built less than a year. The feared he has met with foul play.

The Spring Baces, over the Fairfield course, near Richmond, will commence on Tuesday, The surgeon laid her on a plank, with a with the great Doswell sweepstakes, for a woman jumped from a window with her block for a pillow. Of course, her neck was which there are twenty-eight nominations, and many of them of a very high order.

M'dlle Louise de Corneille, great grand

Hon. Wm. G. Whitely, of Delaware, bas devoted much time in perfecting a scheme which he will soon bring to the attention of Congress, and which is designated as a Naand the proposal is backed by Ambrose W. Thompson, for bimself and associates-to form a line of first class steamships, to carry between the Atlantic ports of the United States and the port of Liverpool, England. The departures to be weekly from New York, Philadelphia, (in the winter season from Newcastle if the upper Delaware be closed with ice,) Baltimore, touching at Norfolk and Savannah, on the same day, as follows: -

1st of the month New York to Liverpool. PhiladelphiaBalto. & NorfolkSavannah These steamers, by alternating their trips,

would in each voyage return to a different point than that of their departure. Thus the one sailing on the 1st from New York would arrive on the 12th at Liverpool, remain until the 22d, and sail on that day for Baltimore, arrive there on the 3rd, and sail on the 15th for Liverpool.

The one sailing from Philadelphia on the 8th, would arrive in Liverpool, on the 20th; sail on the 1st of the next month for Savannah, arrive on the 14th, and again sail for Liverpool, on the 22d. The one sailing from Baltimore on

15th, would arrive on the 29th at Liverpool, sail on the 8th of the next month for New York; arrive on the 20th, and be ready for the next regular departure on the 1st of the next month for Liverpool. The one sailing from Savannah on the 22d, would arrive on the 4th of the next

month at Liverpool; sail thence on the 15th for Philadelphia; arrive there on the 29th, and sail on the following 8th for Liverpool. Thus it will be seen that the regular days of departure would be kept up, while an in-

terchange of ports would tend to give greater efficiency to the line. The line to consist of six steamers, of three thousand tons each, built of iron, having six tan. water-tight compartments below the berth deck, and not less than three compartments

In this scheme the inducement is held out, that if the Government grant its aid for the object proposed, the building of iron ships will be commenced upon this side of the Atlantic to compete with the ships of the Clyde, from which have gone out iron screw steamers for the commerce of every sea.

above the deck.

The Business or Congress.

It appears that there are five hundred bills unacted upon before Congress, and about a thousand bills and petitions before the standing committees. Now, as the two houses have agreed to adjourn the present session on the seventh of June, and as the annual appropriation bills, involving many extra items have still to be considered and disposed of, it is very evident that an immease batch of unfinished business will go over to the next session. This batch, we conjecture, will in clude the following subject :-

1. The subject of a general Bankrupt law. 2. The revision of the tariff.

3. The admission of Oregon as a State. 4. Various new Territorial bills.

5. The Pacific Railroad.

6. The Ocean Steam Mail bill. 7. All the patent monopoly projects, per-

haps, and various other schemes. In fact, from the amount of valuable time wasted upon the Kansas squabble, it is quite possible that, to secure the passage of the regular appropriations, it will be found necessary to lengthen the session a week, or several weeks, beyond the seventh of June. This probability is strengthened from the straitened condition of the treasury, and the urgent requirements of Mr. Cobb for more The schooner Astrea, in Hampton Roads treasury notes. We understand that he has lately at Turks Island, which destroyed a will re-open the discussion of the whole subject, we apprehend that, it Mr. Cobb must have the new issue right away, the session must be extended beyond the present limitation -New York Herald.

Closing a Crevasse. The New Orleans Pacayone of the 18th ult. says:--The crevasse above this city is now one of the most fashionable of resorts. Hundreds of visiters are daily going and returning, and the neighborhood is thronged with the curious, gazing upon the wild rush of waters, the workmen struggling against their sweeping tide, and the expanded lake where lately were cultivated fields .-There is no abatement in the current which sets back from the river, but the contractors at work attempting to close the crevasse have made good progress. A steam-piling machine was got in order yesterday, in the morning, and the work of driving piles conmenced. Before night, rows had been driven almost entirely across the chasm. A large sand bags and bringing them to the spot where they are to be used. The mode by which the crevasse is proposed to be stopped, is to drive three rows of piles, so that when the third is completed, a sufficient space will not remain between the piles to permit a sand bag to be swept away, vast quantities of which are thrown down in front of the piles. The water begins to appear from the swamp in the rear of the town of Gretna and if the crevasse be not soon closed, all the villages on the other side of the river will seriously

Conviction of a Murderess. At the Circuit Court of Sussex county, Va., on Saturday last, Mrs. Josiah Freeman, charged with the murder of her husband, was tried, convicted and sentenced to five years' imprisonment in the State penitentiary. The occurrence took place on the morning of the 25th of December last. The deceased had previously threatened to kill his wife who, taking him at his word, resolved so effectually to anticipate him, as to prevent the possibility of his carrying out the threat. She therefore arose while he was yet asleep, and procuring a gun discharged it at his head. The shot, however, merely grazed his fore-

He immediately jumped up and expressed his surprise at her conduct, when she struck him on the head with the barrel of the gun, Col. J. D. Ashmore, Col. E. P. Jones, and knocking him senseless. While in this insensible condition, she rushed upon him with a knife and cut his throat. Still fearing, as she said, that "the wind might again blow breath in his body," she took an axe an i butchered his body in a shocking manner.

Accident at Alliance.

At an exhibition of a school, held at Alliance on Friday evening last, in the Town Hall, the floor gave way, precipitating an audience

The piano was broken to pieces, but as by s miracle, the lady who presided at it was not injured. A girl thirteen or fourteen years of age was instantly killed, and one other person has died since. A large number Luca Family had engaged it for Monday evening-for a concert.

It is said a lad on the stage, feeling the floor giving way, ran out of the building, and child and escaped barm .- Cleveland Herald.

Jules Gerard, the great lion killer, bas left Paris on a hunting excursion, with a company of Russian noblemen. They are going to the mountains of Africa.

Foreign News.

ENGLAND -In the British House of Lords on the 15th, the Earl of Malmesbury laid upon the table the correspondence which had taken place with the French Government on the subject of passports, and explained how matters stood and what steps had been taken in England to mitigate the annoyance atten-

dant upon the system. Lords Clarendon and Grey spoke strongly in condemnation of the whole system o passports, contending that instead of affording protection to foreign governments, it was sim ply a trap for the innocent and ignorant traveller.

In the House of Commons, Mr. Locke King gave notice of a bill to abolish the property qualification now required of members of the House. Notice was also given of a bill to repeal the existing laws in relation to the standard of weights and measures.

The Duke of Malakoff, the new Ambassa dor from France to England, landed at Dover on the 15th, and met with a civic and military reception. Three guards of honor were on duty. In response to an address from the corporation of Dover, he said that nothing could have afforded him greater pleasure than the appointment which had been conferred upon him, and it would be his earnest desire to preserve those cordial relations which have hitherto existed between France and England. The Duke, travelled to London in a state rail way carriage.

It was rumored that Queen Victoria intended to pay a visit to Prussia during the

ensuing Summer or Autumn.

Mr. Erskine, the Secretary of Legation at Turin whose perversion of the draft of an important note addressed by Sir James Hudson to Count Cavour have been reported, has been suspended from his duties, and called home. Sir James Hudson himself, who signed the altered document without reading it, is excused this "one grievous act of carelessness," in consideration of his great previous services.

The Queen of England has received a present of eighty Arabian horses from the Sul-

The Court of Proprietors of the East India Company, by a unanimous vote, have granted to the eldest son of the late Major-General Sir Henry Lawrence, K. C. B., an annuity of £1,000 a year, with reversion to his younger brother in event of the elder brother dying without heirs, male, in accordance with the recommendation from the Court of Directors.

The Times says the Turkish Government have just completed contracts with three English ship builders, and three Locdon engineers for ten war steamers ranging from 2000 to 800 tons, to establish the Black Sea fleet, allowed to them under the terms of the treaty of Paris. It is thought the whole cost will be little less than £300,000.

The Times comments in indignant terms on the impunity of the Western Bank of Scotland, and ascribes superior commercial morality to the English people.

The Times' city articles says :- The funds remain without much alteration, but the tendency is toward flatness. In the discount market there was great ease to-day, and it was difficult to lend money at call upon any terms. In the foreign exchanges, this afternoon, the rates were about the same as last

The report of the Liverpool cotton market shows a limited business and a fall of to per to on the lower descriptions.

The advices from all commercial centres of the continent describe a stagnation of business, and a general exercise of caution such as perhaps have never previously been witnessed to a similar extent. Russia -The emancipation of serfs in

Russia is said to be making great progress, and the measure had become general. On and after the 1st of July all merchandise passing along the railways of Russia is to be sufjected to a payment of five topecks

An important conspiracy is said to have been discovered in Circassia. A correspondence had been intercepted between a son of Sefer Pashs and a Hungarian colonel named Bangya. The latter confessed all and bad been condemned to death.

CHINA -The Hong Kong correspondent of the London Times says that the four great powers allowed the Emperor until the end of March to send down his plenipotentiary to Shabghae, and in the meantime they sos pended all belligerent proceedings. The same authority says there is no doub

the country was arming around Canton, but that the Elders of Fatshan had formally declared that the purpose was only for defence against the rebels who threatened the city. FRANCE .- A rumor was current that the Count de Morney or Count de Persigny would soon replace General Espinasse Minister of

The Government bill for one hundred and eighty millions trancs for the embellishment of Paris, was meeting with very strong opposition in the standing committees of the Legislative Body, but it was supposed never-

theless that the subsidy would be granted. The Emperor was on a visit to the Sologne ITALY .-- The Sardinian officers who were on leave in foreign countries had been called home by their Government.

tween the hereditary Prince of Naples, and a princess of Bavaria-sister to the Empress of Austria. It is stated that a correspondence between France and England on the conflict between Sardinia and Naples has resulted in the mu-

to support Sardinia in any act of aggression to which the quarrel may lead her. Austria -- A Vienna letter says: "Much suffering still exists in the principal manufacturing districts of Austria, and it is impossible to say when this deplorable crisis will end. The extensive shipments usually made to the United States have completely ceased for eight months. Large stocks of raw silk and manufactures are on hand, and from the little business doing, prices are

merely nominal." Spain .- It was removed in Madrid that the Queen of Spain was again likely to become a mother.

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The Three Beauties, by Mrs Southworth, author of "The Lost Heiress," "India," "Missing Bride," "Curse of Clifton," "Wife's Victoy." etc , 1 vol. cloth, \$1.25; paper covers, \$1 Harper's Weekly, month y part for May, 20

"Police Gazette," "Harper's Weekly," "Porer's Spirit of the Times," "New York Clipper,"
Privateer," "Irish News," "Mercury," "Week-"Ledger," "Flag," etc. London Illustrated Times for this week, 124c.

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"LITTLE LANNIE."

Suggested by an Emblem used at the Anniverse Meeting of the Sunday School Missionary Society attached to St. Paul's Church, at their trees Celebration

"One year ago" beheld a band Of joyous children meet

With emblems and with offerings. Their Christian friends to greet, And on the altar of our God, Those gifts were treasured then To send the glorious word of life

Abroad to dying men. The happy smile of childhood in Its artlessness was there. Exhibiting to all how free

Their bosoms were from care And none amid that lovely train A brighter smile displayed. Than "little LANNIR," round whose brow The light of beauty played.

The idol of his parents, and With every comfort blessed; Cherished at home, and e'en abroad By strangers' hands caressed. A brilliant future it might seem. Awaited this fair boy,

To fill its earthly joy. Another year revolves, and lo! Again this happy band, Within this same devoted place.

Replete with all the heart requires

In youthful beauty stand. With increased offerings they come. Their pastor's heart to cheer. As from his ceaseless labors he Beholds such fruits appear.

The emblems, chaste and beautiful. Were to the altar brought, Suggesting many a cherished scene With holy memories fraught. The Cross-the Christian's sign of faith The Crown-his glorious prize, The Helmet, Sword, and Shield.

That told of countless victories. Those, with a number more as choice. With taste and skill arrayed, Elicited the warmest praise As they were each displayed. But none awakened deeper thoughts,

Or sadder interest gave, Than one which bore the impress of A little new made grave. It told its own sad story, With such simplicity. As to call up the tear drops In many a sparkling eye.

For in that touching tribute, so Significant of gloom, Was shown the fate of "LANNIE," who Now slumbers in the tomb. No more to join his classmates, in

Their festive scenes he'll come, Or to recall those heartfelt joys Within his own sweet home. For quietly they've laid him low, In a lone, narrow bed,

To mingle with the hosts that throng The city of the dead. Yet from that gloomy sepulchre, There comes a cheering voice, That bids the sorrowing mourners, 'mil

Their anguish to rejoice. For while they mourn a treasure lost, As pure as e'er was given, The angels claim his fellowship Amid the bowers of Heaven

HAROLD Alexandria, April 1858. I observe, in the last published pro ceedings of the City Council, that the act the late General Assembly extending the risdiction of the Corporation over the term

ry, lying between the present town his Hunting Creek, and Hooff's Run, is to submitted to the voters in June next, as t quired by the act. As a friend to justice and right, I beg permission to express through the Gazette, the hope that the law will be rejected. I venture to state that a greater outrage has never been perpetrated upon a people than that which this law out-The laws and the taxes of a tow corporation are by it to be thrown are those who never asked it, were never exact ted about it, who are violently opposed to and who are even denied a voice in voting upon it. The improvements of the town such as pavements, water, gas, street rege lation and cleaning, police and night water (such as they are) will not, and cannot, century, be extended to the district question, and yet they will be called on pay their full quote of taxes for them, and what is worse, for our enormous public debt, which they had no voice in authorizing and this in addition to the already burthes some taxes of the County of Fairtar. A marriage treaty had been signed bethese benefits, however, extended to them not, it is enough that they have not asked be taken in, were not consulted about it, and are opposed to it. I trust that the voters Alexandria will, at the polls, manifest the sense of common justice by voting the mea sure down, so that an opportunity may b tual agreement of the two Western powers not had so to modify the law as to limit the exporate jurisdiction to police and sanitary purposes as in the case of the territory be tween the town line and Mushpot on west. I am aware that the present voters the town have a strong temptation presente in the fact that the taxes levied upon the additional territory will, by so much, dimis ish the present town taxes; but I hope their sense of justice will rise above the painty bribe. The Kansas people regard it as a great outrage that a Constitution should be inserted in their throats which they do so wish, and that the power of Congress and the President should be exercised in rate ming it down. So here, the Legislature has

put this law in the throats of the people the territory referred to, and the people Alexandria, are called upon to threat home, spite of the protests and remonstrate ces of those principally concerned. I would invite the attention of the people of Alexandria to the babit which their Coutcile have got into of tampering with the Charter at every whip-stitch. Every mat who gets into Council, forthwith seems to be smitten with the idea that he is a Solon, sol sets bimself to work to show off as each The chances are that before long, what will their everlasting tinkering and patches our laws will be involved in inexticable

confusion and intolerable absurdity. A LEXANDRIA WATER COMPANY
NOTICE.—Water renters will please the notice, that their bills are due on this day 1st.) and it is expected that they will be pared for the Collectors visit. Those 2411

special permits to use from neighborio drauts, are required to call at the office Treasurer, and renew the same. EDWARD S. HOLGE

DRUGS, &c.—Calcined and Carb Magnetian Cream Tartar, Sup. Carb Soda, Sal. Tar tar, Sulph Zinc, Tapioca, Sago, Buchu Leaves Tartaric Acid, Cayenne and Black Peppet White Wax, and Oxalic Acid, for sale by PEEL, STEVENS & CO. cerner King and Alfred susse